

## CHAPTER 193.

[ H. B. 4. ]

## WILLS.

AN ACT relating to the making of wills, prescribing the qualifications of testators, amending section 24, chapter 156, Laws of 1917 (section 1394, Remington's Revised Statutes; section 10021, Pierce's Code), validating wills heretofore executed which comply with this act, declaring an emergency and providing that this act take effect immediately.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

SECTION 1. That section 24, chapter 156, Laws of 1917 (section 1394, Remington's Revised Statutes; section 10021, Pierce's Code) be amended to read as follows: Amendments.

Section 24. The following persons of sound mind may, by last will, devise all his or her estate, both real and personal: Who may make wills.

1. Any person who has attained the age of majority.

2. Any person who has legally married, and has attained the age of eighteen (18) years.

3. Any person who has attained the age of eighteen (18) years and is actively engaged with the armed forces of the United States or employed on a vessel of the United States Merchant Marine.

All wills executed subsequent to September 16, 1940, and which meet the requirements of this act are hereby validated and shall have all the force and effect of wills executed subsequent to the taking effect of this act. Validating.

SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety and welfare by reason of an existing emergency and shall take effect immediately. Effective immediately.

Passed the House January 27, 1943.

Passed the Senate March 10, 1943.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1943.